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2019 Programs & Events



APRIL

Mill Creek MetroParks



April Special Events



FARM ANIMAL BABY SHOWER

METROPARKS FARM
4/7 | 10 AM - 4 PM



WELCOME NEW ARRIVALS TO THE BARN AND SEE WHO MIGHT STILL BE EXPECTING THIS SEASON. ENJOY CAKE AND PUNCH WHILE SUPPLIES LAST. FREE.



Plant the Seed TO READ BOOK FESTIVAL:

Reading's My Superpower

Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/27 | 10 am - 3 pm

"Reading's My Superpower" is the theme for the 13th annual book festival that includes authors, illustrators, book characters, storytellers, and hands-on activities for children. Free.



METROPARKS FARM - MCMAHON HALL
4/13 | 9-10:30 AM

FAMILIES WILL VISIT WITH THE EASTER BUNNY, ENJOY A KID-FRIENDLY BREAKFAST, ALONG WITH ACTIVITIES AND HANDS-ON OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN ABOUT REAL RABBITS. SPACE LIMITED. CALL 330.740.7114 TO REGISTER/PAY BY 4/6. ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED. AGES 11 AND OLDER \$12.50; CHILDREN 2-10 \$7.50; 2 & UNDER FREE.



Easter Brunch

Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/21 | Noon or 3 pm

Fellows Riverside Gardens will be hosting an Easter Brunch by Inspired Catering. Reservations are required. Contact Kravitz's Garden Cafe at 330.779.8201 for more information.

Daffodil Weekend

Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/13 & 4/14 | 10 am - 5 pm

Discover the delights of daffodils! Enter your prize bloom in the daffodil show, take the trolley or hike to Daffodil Meadow, and stroll through the Gardens' Narcissus collection. Call 330.740.7116 to register for Trolley Tour.

CUISINE

Laid Back Cooking: Eggstravaganza

\$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/9 | 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Hands-on. Get cooking in the kitchen with Jack Kravitz with eggstravagant recipes. Register/pay by 4/6. \$22 R; \$24 NR

FOR THE BIRDS

Eagle Watch

Mill Creek Wildlife Sanctuary

4/14 | 8 – 10 am

Bald eagles represent strength and freedom. Drop by to search for and observe these magnificent birds with Jeff Harvey. Limited parking. Call FRG for details.

Dazzling Flights

MetroParks Farm - MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead

4/18 | 7:30 – 9 pm

Spring is in the air and so are male woodcocks! Witness the dazzling courtship flight of these amazing birds. Wear boots. Call FRG for details. Moderate, 1.5 mi.

Birding the Sanctuary ♦

Mill Creek Wildlife Sanctuary

4/20 | 8 – 9:30 am

Join Jeff Harvey to look and listen for the birds of spring at Mill Creek Wildlife Sanctuary. Space is limited. Boots required. Call FRG by 4/18. Moderate, 1.25 mi.



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GOLF

Sandwich Factory Boy’s Golf League

\$ ♦

Wick Par-3 Course

Month of April

Junior golf league sign-up available for kids aged 6-17. Golf League runs Saturdays, 5/11 – 8/6. Call Joe Iberis, junior league president, at 330.509.0993 for questions or details.

Mill Creek Pro’s Patio Golf 9-Hole League Sign-Up’s ♦

Mill Creek Golf Course

Month of April

New golf league for 2019! Friday afternoons at 2 pm, May - September. Sign-Ups are available in the Mill Creek Golf Course Fieldhouse or by calling the Mill Creek Golf Shop at 330.740.7112. #LetsPlayGolfYoungstown

Mill Creek Men’s Senior Golf League Sign-Up’s

Mill Creek Golf Course Fieldhouse & Hole #55 Bar & Grille
4/2 | 9 am – Noon

2019 Senior golf league sign-up. Available for seniors 50+. Call Joe Smik, senior league president, at 330.965.1674 for details.

Family Fun Golf Night ♦ ♦

Mill Creek Golf Course

4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27 | 5 pm Tee time start

Golf for the entire family. This program is part of the Let’s Play Golf Youngstown Initiative. #LetsPlayGolfYoungstown

Mill Creek Ladies League Appreciation Short Game Clinic ♦

Mill Creek Golf Course

4/17 | 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Free Golf Clinic to all Mill Creek Ladies Golf League Members. Emphasis will be on the short game (pitching, chipping & putting). This program is part of the Let’s Play Golf Youngstown Initiative. Call GC for tee times or book online. #LetsPlayGolfYoungstown

Easter Golf Shop Sale

Mill Creek Golf Course Pro Shop

4/21 | 9 am – 5 pm

Holiday Sale in the Mill Creek Golf Shop featuring special deals, sales and discounts on newly arrived spring merchandise.

Program Key

\$ Fee charged for this program

♦ Registration Required

■ Add'l fee after deadline

G Guardian/adult must accompany child

R = Mahoning County Resident

NR = Non-Resident

FFRG = Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens

THIS & THAT

Cha-Cha Dance Class \$

Pioneer Pavilion

4/2, 4/9, 4/16 | 6 – 7 pm

Learn this Latin dance with Lynda McPhail. No partner? No Problem! Everyone learns together. Beginners encouraged and welcome. Call WRA for details. \$6/class at the door.

Waltz Dance Class \$

Pioneer Pavilion

4/2, 4/9, 4/16 | 7 – 8 pm

Lynda McPhail instructs this timeless dance. No partner? No problem! Everyone learns together. Beginners welcome and encouraged. Call WRA for details. \$6/class at the door.

MetroMutts: Hike into Spring

East Newport Boat Launch

4/6 | 11 am

Join us in taking our spring hike past the spectacular Daffodil Meadow. Easy, 2 mi. Call WRA for details. We'll also have a special guest from the Mahoning County Dog Pound: their adoptable dog of the month!

City Nature Challenge BioBlitz

Mill Creek Preserve

4/11 | 6:30 – 8 pm; **4/26 & 4/27** | 7 – 9 am; **4/28** | Noon – 2 pm or 3 – 5 pm

Join the City Nature Challenge BioBlitz here at Mill Creek MetroParks. On Thursday, 4/11 take advantage of a free training at the MetroParks Farm to learn how to use iNaturalist. Then come out any or all days and times of the BioBlitz at the Preserve. Call FRG for details.

MetroMutts: Hop on Down the Puppy Trail \$ ♦

Bears Den Cabin

4/20 | 11 am

The Easter Bunny will be at Bears Den Cabin for a photo with your pup. Hike is free to all. Refreshments afterwards: MetroMutts Members free, not-yet-members \$2. Call WRA to register by 4/18. Moderate, 1mi.

Traveling Naturalist

Lanterman’s Mill

4/20 | 12:30 – 2:30 pm

Enjoy springtime at Lanterman’s Mill and chat with a naturalist about what you might observe in nature and in the park this season. Call FRG for details.

Let’s Dance \$

MetroParks Farm-McMahon Hall

4/23 | 6 – 9 pm

Enjoy a variety of social dances. 30 min. dance lesson with Lynda McPhail at 6 pm. Call WRA for details. \$6/person at the door.

Star Party

MetroParks Farm

4/26 | 7 pm

The Mahoning Valley Astronomical Society invites you to a “star party”. View the beauty of the night sky through their high powered telescopes. Call WRA for details.

Boy Scout Earth Day Clean-up ♦

Ford Nature Center

4/27 | 9 am – Noon

Local Scout Units and other organizations will spend the morning helping to clean winter’s accumulation of litter across the MetroParks. Groups may call WRA by 4/15 to reserve a work area.

Ohio Boating Education Course \$ ♦

Pioneer Pavilion

5/4 | 8 am – 4 pm

Basics of safe boating presented by ODNR Division of Watercraft. Includes exam & satisfies Ohio Boater Education Requirement. Call WRA by 5/1 to register. \$10

HEALTHY LIVING

Yoga in the Gardens \$

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/2, 4/4, 4/9, 4/11, 4/16, 4/18, 4/23, 4/25, 4/30 | 9:30 – 11 am

Join Marina Perdos for a blend of energizing yoga styles that will help you keep a healthy outlook. All levels are welcome. Bring a mat and small blanket. Drop-in. \$12/class

T’ai Chi Step One in the Gardens \$

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24 | Noon – 1 pm

Warm-ups, breathing exercises and movements with Marie Lew will ease stress, improve health, and increase vitality. Drop-in. \$10/class

Tantra & Chakras \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/4 | 6 – 8 pm

Experience deeper aspects of yourself through chakra investigation with adept teacher from India, Swami Dharmakirti. Explore myths and truths. Be informed about tantra, one of the six main philosophies of India. Bring a mat and a small blanket. Register/pay by 4/2. \$38

Yoga Basics Course \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/28 - 6/16 | Sundays, 9 – 10 am or

4/30 - 6/18 | Tuesdays, 6 – 7 pm

Choose Sunday mornings or Tuesday evenings for this relaxing eight-week yoga course with Karres Cvetkovich. \$80; 10% discount (\$72) if registered by 4/23.

HORTICULTURE

Men’s Garden Club Talk

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/3 | 7 – 8 pm

The Men’s Garden Club of Youngstown invites you to attend their general meeting. Drop-in.

Daffodil Walk

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/13 | 1 – 2 pm

Delight in the beauty, diversity, and fragrance of daffodils on this guided walk with Gordon Vujevic, daffodil expert. Meet in the Davis Center Lobby. Drop-in.

Botanical Mornings \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/26 | 9 – 10 am

Discover the progress of seasons here at Fellows Riverside Gardens. Register/pay by 4/24. \$5

TROLLEY TOURS

Mill Creek Trolley Tours \$ ♦

Boards at Ford Nature Center

4/4, 4/9, 4/14, 4/18, 4/25, | 2 – 3 pm or 3:30 – 4:30 pm

4/28, | 12:30 – 1:30 pm, 2 – 3 pm or 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Enjoy views of historic Mill Creek Park while riding the trolley. Limited seating. Register/pay in advance at WRA, 330.740.7114. Adults: \$7 R, \$10 NR; seniors/youth: \$5 R, \$8 NR.

Daffodil Trolley \$ ♦

Boards at Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/14 | 12:30 – 1:30 pm

Take the trolley from the Gardens to Daffodil Meadow in celebration of daffodils. Register/pay at FRG by 4/12. Adults: \$7 R, \$10 NR; seniors/youth: \$5 R, \$8 NR.

Spring Fling Trolley \$ ♦

Boards at Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/20 | 10:30 – 11:30 am or Noon – 1 pm

Enjoy a trolley ride through historic Mill Creek Park as we celebrate spring. Limited seating. Register/pay at FRG by 4/18. Adults: \$7 R, \$10 NR; seniors/youth: \$5 R, \$8 NR.

HIKES & WALKS

Call FRG for details.

Hike with a Volunteer Naturalist

Meet at Scholl Recreation Area

4/7 | 1 – 2:30 pm

Enjoy this afternoon hike with a Volunteer Naturalist to Lanterman’s Mill. Moderate, 2.5 mi.

Recreational Hikes

Call Wick Recreation Area for details

4/10 | 9 – 10 am

Meet at East Newport Dr. Boat Launch Parking Lot.

Moderate, 1 or 3 mi.

4/24 | 9 – 10 am

Meet at MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead at MetroParks Farm. Easy, 2 or 4 mi.

Wild Women of Mill Creek: Daffodil Meadow Hike

Meet at Lanterman’s Mill

4/14 | 2 – 4 pm

Take a walk on the wild side! Join us as we journey from Lanterman’s Mill to the beautiful Daffodil Meadow in this series of programs designed for women of all ages. Moderate, 2 mi.

Voices of the Night I

Vickers Nature Preserve

4/19 | 8:30 – 10 pm

Listen, search, catch, and release in the “froggiest place” in Mill Creek MetroParks. Flashlights recommended and boots required. Easy, 1 mi.

The Beauties of Spring

Meet at Scholl Recreation Area

4/27 | 2 – 4 pm

Come out and enjoy the beauty of spring as we search for spring wildflowers. Moderate with some hills, 2.5 mi.



EXHIBITS

Daffodil Show

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/12 | 3 – 5 pm; **4/13 & 4/14** | 10 am – 5 pm

Discover the delights of daffodils! Enter your perfect bloom in the daffodil show at the Davis Center, Friday 4/12 and Saturday 4/13, that highlights the diversity and beauty of daffodils. Call FRG for details.

As Did Monet, Artists Paint the Landscape

Fellows Riverside Gardens – Weller Gallery

3/30 - 6/2 | Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm

See the artwork of local Plein Air Artists of Eastern Ohio who paint in natural outdoor settings.

Mill Creek MetroParks History

Fellows Riverside Gardens – Melnick Museum

Ongoing | Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm

The Melnick Museum offers the visitor a peek into the unique history of Mill Creek MetroParks.

KIDS & FAMILIES

Little Explorers Club \$ ♦ G

Various MCMP Locations

4/11, 5/9, 6/6 | 10 – 11 am

Ages 3-6, plus adult. Join the club as we explore and enjoy the wonders of spring! We'll meet baby animals, become noisy frogs, and learn all about birds! Deadline for series is 4/9, call FRG to register. \$12/series; \$5/class

Tractor-Wagon Rides

MetroParks Farm

4/14, 4/28 | 1 – 4 pm

Bring the family for a guided tractor wagon tour of the farm leaving approximately every ½ hour. Barns are open to visit the animals. Craft fee \$1; cash only.

Bunny Hunt

Ford Nature Center

4/16 – 4/20 | 10 am – 5 pm

Stop by Ford Nature Center and look for the 20 hidden paper rabbits. Then go for a hike and keep your eyes open for the cottontails that call this area home. Call FRG for details.

Grandparents and Grandkids Spring Fling! \$ ♦ ♦ G

Ford Nature Center

4/18 | 10 am – 3 pm

Ages 7 & up with grandparent. Grandparents, bring the grandkids out for fun and discovery! We'll look for signs of the new season, hike, get crafty and more. Please bring a lunch and dress for the weather. Register/pay by 4/14, call 330.740.7116. Grandparent plus child \$20 R; \$22 NR. Additional child or grandparent \$6.

Tales for Tots: Baby Farm Animals \$ ♦ G

Metro Parks Farm

4/19 | 10 – 11 am

Ages 2-3, plus adult. It's Spring! Baby animals are at the farm! Join us as we learn about and meet the new arrivals. Story time is part of the fun! Register/pay by 4/17, call 330.740.7116. \$4 R; \$6 NR

Family Nature Club: Discover Spring!

Newport Wetlands Parking Lot

4/20 | 1 – 3 pm

Bring the whole family and join the club! Each month will be a new adventure as we hike, participate in fun activities, and play in nature. This month we will discover spring in the wetlands. Dress for outdoor fun! For more information call FRG.

Family Nature Challenge

Various MCMP Locations

4/1 – 10/31

Is your family ready for a fun new challenge? Enjoy quality time together while exploring nature and discovering Mill Creek MetroParks and all it has to offer. Call FRG or visit millcreekmetroparks.org to find out how to get started today!

EXPRESS YOURSELF

Hypertufa Cast Bag \$ ♦

MetroParks Farm

4/1 | 6 – 8 pm

Learn to use hypertufa as a sculptural medium with sculptor Dan Dansio. Register/pay at FRG by 3/29. \$36 R; \$40 NR

MCMP Photo Clique: Members Only Trolley Ride Photo Opp ♦

Boards at Ford Nature Center

4/6 | 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Photo Clique members will ride the Cohasset Express to photograph select bridges & waterfalls in the park. Members: Call WRA to register by 4/4. Non-members: Call WRA to learn about Photo Clique member opportunities.

Spring Grocery Store Bouquet \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/9 | 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Judy Stanislaw will share tips and tricks to go beyond the vase with these lovely blooms. Register/pay by 4/7. \$24; FFRG \$22

Whimsical Fairy or Bird House \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens

4/16 | 6 – 8:30 pm

Adults & ages 14+ with paid adult. Learn how to construct a stoneware clay fairy or bird house for your garden with Lynn Cardwell. Register/pay by 4/14. \$28 R; \$30 NR